Outstanding leaders lauded

The Valley Star

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Council, faculty honor 15 with plaques, certificates

Outstanding students on the campus have been lauded with awards. The Executive Council honored five students with plaques at Tuesday's awards assembly, while a faculty committee bestowed ten Monarchs with leadership certificates.

Copping gold plaques for outstanding service during the past semester, as determined by Council vote, were Jerry Jackson, Betty Liuzzi, Don Mitchell, Pete Rowell and Bill Tarantino.

Jackson was honored for his work as president of the beta class and Miss Liuzzi for her service as secretary of the Inter Organziation Council and head of theater arts publicity.

Mitchell Lauded

His work as president of the Knights of the Circle K won a plaque for Mitchell. Rowell and Tarantino received awards for their efforts as co-chairmen of the election committee.

The ten students receiving leadership certificates include Bob Binder, president of the Associated Men Students; Dixie Carnes, Associated Students' vice president and chairman of the IOC; Lynn Fitzgerald, member of the dance committee, and Ralph Hemer, president of Tau Alpha Epsilon and Les Savants, scholarship societies.

President Honored

Others honored were Larry Knowles, president of the Spanish Club; John Knowlton, AS president; Rowell, election committee co-chairman; Pat Sewell, commissioner of social affairs; Dorald Wright, editor-in-chief of the Valley Star, and Jack Yost, commissioner of activities and vice chairman of the IOC.

Honorable mentions were received by Donna Anderson, commissioner of publicity and publications; Carole Barnes, delta class secretary-treasurer; Terry Coates, Executive Council parliamentarian; Al Kinsley, Art Club president.

Participation Helps

Other recipients of honorable mentions are Rowland Perry, nominated by the alpha class; David Verdugo, Intra-mural; Dorothy Yoder, delta class; Carl Bernstein, German Club, and Kozo Ura, International Club.

The outstanding student plaques were awarded on the basis of the students' participation in activities during the past term.

Participation and leadership were both taken into consideration in determining the winners of the certificates from the 35 nominations submitted, according to Kermit Dale, chairman of the faculty awards committee.

LEADERSHIP PLUS—Winners of the semi-annually given Leadership Certificates congratulate each other. From left are Ralph Hemer, Dorald Wright, John Knowlton, Dixie Carnes, Pete Rowell, Pat Sewell and Jack Yost. Not shown are Bob Binder, Lynn Fitzgerald and Larry Knowles. Photo by Lindner

4100 pre-program; classes begin early

Under the new advanced registration process, approximately 2,100 students have pre-programmed for day school and about 2,000 for extended day. The three-day registration period prior to the first day of instruction has been dropped in favor of this more streamlined process, according to office of admissions personnel.

The day before school starts Jan. 30, has been designated as the only day of registration for day school, with Jan. 30, 31 and Feb. 1 being given over to extended day students. Registration on these dates will be conducted in the women's gym.

Open Nights

"All late registrants must enroll in the office of admissions after these dates," said Robert J. Nassi, dean of admissions and guidance. "The last day to register for the spring term is Feb. 10," he added.

Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Classes Close

Students desiring program changes will have to wait until Feb. 2 to do so, according to the office of admissions. Programs may be changed by seeing a counselor in the office of admissions. Deadline is 4:30 p.m., Feb. 10.

Because of the streamlined registration process, almost 100 classes are already closed for the day session. At presstime, approximately ten extended day classes have been closed.

Courses Added

Several classes have also been added to the extended day curriculum. Those added include art 14A, English I, chemistry III, law 7, math 8A, philosophy 16 and journalism 50, a public relations course for government employes only.

Total enrollment expected for the spring term is approximately 6,000 students. By this time next year, Valley College is expected to have an enrollment in excess of 7000.

Handt elected editor-in-chief for spring term

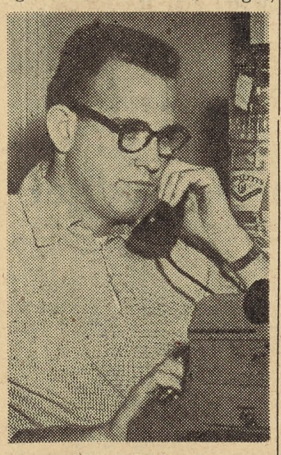
With a dream of giving Valley College its first full size eight column newspaper, Dick Handt, managing editor of the Star this semester, will take over the reins as editor-in-chief for the spring term.

Handt, a journalism major in his delta semester, has been on the staff of the campus publication for the past three semesters. Besides being a reporter, he has acted as feature editor and page one editor.

This past semester he also was president of Beta Phi Gamma, national honorary journalism society, and was a delegate to the state junior college journalism conference in Fresno.

Wright to Assist

Managing editor for the coming semester is Dorald Wright,



DICK HANDT
New Star Editor

present editor-in-chief, also a delta and a journalism major.

Miss Wright has served on the Executive Council as commissioner of activities and has been a delegate to one state and two regional junior college government conferences.

Dondanville Back

Assisting Handt and Miss Wright will be John Dondanville as sports editor. In his beta semester, Dondanville has acted as a sports reporter this semester and as student director of sports publicity.

While in high school at John Burroughs, he was sports editor for two semesters and editor-in-chief for the same amount of time.

Winkel Returns

Twenty-three-year-old veteran Jay Franklin, one of this semester's photographers, will be photography editor. Beta Dennis Winkel will return to the post of circulation manager.

First awards presented by Kersey fund

Three high school students have been awarded Vierling Kersey scholarships for the spring semester, according to Albert M. Caligiuri, counselor and member of the scholarship board.

Johanna Kniest, a senior from Van Nuys High School, is to receive one of the 50 dollar scholarships established in the name of Vierling Kersey, former Valley College director. Miss Kniest plans to major in art.

Rita Lujan, who was awarded another scholarship, is from San Fernando High School and hopes to major in business education. Ruby Nishimoto, another San Fernando senior, is awarded the last scholarship. Her major is home economics education.

"Since this is the first semester that the scholarships have been offered, three scholarships were awarded to the three most deserving applicants," said Caligiuri. "These scholarships may help students with aptitude to overcome financial problems."

In coming semesters, two scholarships are to be awarded each semester to high school seniors with the best qualifications.

Net 113 pints in blood drive; Lettermen win

Blood was shed at Valley College last Monday as the annual Red Cross blood drive ran its "gory" course in the student lounge.

Out of a quota set at 160 pints, only 113 pints were donated, although 18 other donors were turned away because they were ineligible to give blood.

Athletes Win

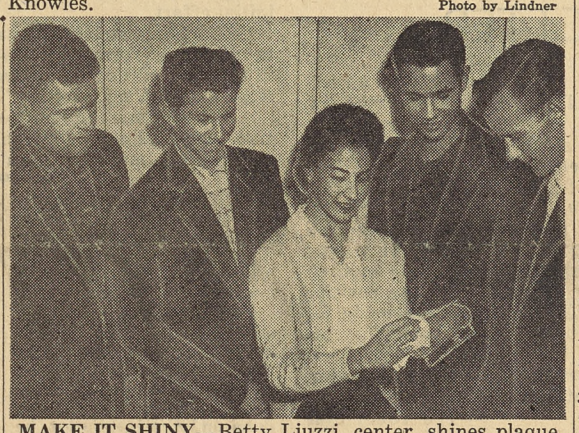
Winning the cup for the greatest number of pints contributed was the Monarch Lettermen's Club, headed by Sam La Masa.

"The football team was the only organization to really get behind this effort," said Dixie Carnes, president of the Inter Organization Council, sponsor of the drive.

Team Ineligible

The team gave 100 percent, but since they are not an organized campus club, they were ineligible to win the trophy. The Letterman's Club was a cinch to win, with the football team's contribution," she added.

Since returns everywhere have been low, this amount was not too bad, according to Red Cross officials.



MAKE IT SHINY—Betty Liuzzi, center, shines plaque she received as an "outstanding student." Other plaque winners look on. From left to right are Bill Tarantino, Jerry Jackson, Miss Liuzzi, Don Mitchell and Pete Rowell. Star photo

SIG DELTS DANCE

Country Manor site of 'The End'

"The End is here and nothing will surpass it," say members of Sigma Delta Phi concerning their dance scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 28. Commencing at 8:30 p.m., "The End" will take place at Country Manor in Calabasas.

The Al Marlowe Quintet is supplying the music and there is a possibility that Anita O'Day may appear as featured vocalist, according to Bill Tarantino, Sig Delt treasurer.

The Four C-Mates, of which Monarch Jack Sham is a member, will also make an appearance. The quartet has been seen at some of the top night clubs in town, according to Tarantino.

Stylists Present

Dance stylists Dave Best and Carola Benbow, instructors and choreographers from the Veloz and Yolanda Dance Studios, are also on the entertainment bill.

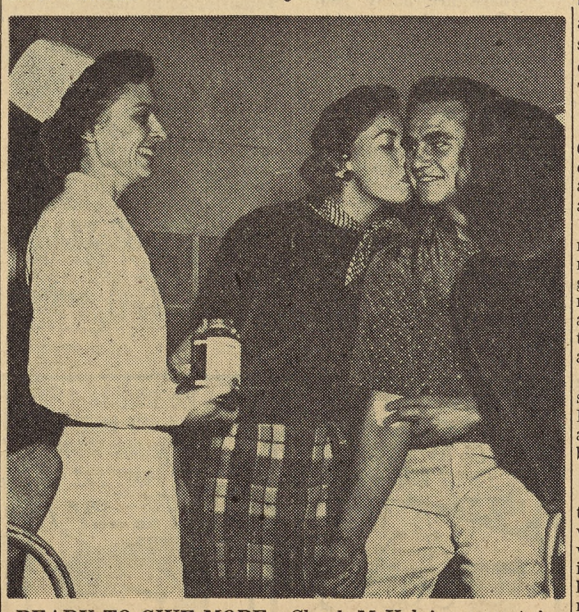
Dressy dress has been designated as the attire for the evening. Floral decorations will grace the interior. Embellishments will be simple, said Tarantino, but are designed to add to the "soft lights, soft music" atmosphere of the event.

This is the third annual dance sponsored by the Sig Delts. Bids are priced at three dollars a couple and a door prize will be given away.

In Calabasas

To reach Country Manor, travel west on Ventura Boulevard to the Calabasas cut-off, where Mulholland Drive runs into Ventura. Turn left and keep to the right on Calabasas road. Drive straight to the end of the street. The address is 24455 Calabasas road.

Students interested in further information or tickets are asked to contact either John Best or Tarantino on campus.



READY TO GIVE MORE—Chuck McKelvie, co-captain of the football team, smiles at nurse Eunice Winkle while being congratulated for donating blood. Offering the congratulations are Dixie Carnes, center, and Leilani Greenwood, right. The drive netted 113 pints. Photo by Franklin

Mayor picks past director for park job

Dr. Vierling Kersey, retired Valley College director, has been appointed to the Recreation and Park Commission by Mayor Norris Poulson.

Dr. Kersey, who was appointed president of the Los Angeles College of Optometry last October, will succeed Maurie Luxford, who resigned recently.

Prior to his reign at Valley, he was superintendent of the Los Angeles City Schools from 1937 to 1948. He served as state superintendent of public instruction from 1929 to 1937.

An active Shriner, and past potentate of Al Malaikah Temple, he helped organize the Shrine high school north-south football game.

Last issue features review of semester

"The semester in review" sets the theme for today's issue of the Valley Star, marking the end of the semester.

Included in the eight pages of this issue are two given over to a pictorial review of the term's activities found on pages four and five.

During the past semester, the Star has attempted to introduce new and different ideas in school journalism. To publish a more modern, progressive and informative paper has been the goal of this staff.

Under the leadership of editor-in-chief Dorald Wright and managing editor Dick Handt, the final issue of the Valley Star for this semester is published, presenting to the readers, in stories and in pictures, the highlights of the fall semester of 1955-56.

Monarch Bulletins

VETERANS VOUCHERS

Veterans will be permitted to sign their pay vouchers immediately upon completion of their last final exam, according to Allan Keller, veterans advisor.

TERM GRADES

No grades will be immediately available at the office of admissions, so students desiring an early report are advised to submit a self-addressed post card to their various instructors, according to office personnel.

The Valley Star

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF ..... DORALD WRIGHT
Managing Editor ..... Dick Handt

PROBLEMS IN REVIEW . . .

Controversies offer copy for editorial writers, and the editorial writers of the Valley Star have been kept busy this semester.

Parking lot troubles sparked editorials for several weeks at the beginning of the term. Finally the police department was called in to cope with the problem. The problem faded.

The poor performances turned in by the song and cheer leaders at football games were discussed in an early editorial. This provided the first controversy of the semester. The next issue of the Star included an editorial commending the leaders for their efforts to improve.

The cry "we like Jackie" took over the front page of the Star as the college answered a story appearing in a local newspaper. The students of Valley College felt that Jackie had added to the festivities of Homecoming; that he was not a "dangerous cat" apt to turn on the fans at any time.

Two topics vied for discussion in the next issue—the supression of the Homecoming queen vote tally and the slacks vs. skirts dispute. The election committee had decided to withhold the tally, which was felt to be undemocratic by the Star.

The controversy concerning the wearing of slacks by women students was settled as a majority of students polled agreed that the decision should be left up to the individual.

Two sides of the marquee question were presented next, the Executive Council's and the Star's. Discussion concerning the marquee purchase started at the first Council meeting of the semester and finally concluded last week as the decision to purchase the sign was reached.
mended them for the stand they took.

Elections and the Blood Drive took over the editorials of the last paper.

Many topics have been discussed editorially this term. The Star has had its say, the Council members theirs. Both have won, both have lost. —D.W.

AN OPEN LETTER . . .

TO JACK YOST, AS president:

You have been installed as president of the Associated Students of Valley College. You are now the top leader of the campus.

The job of president of a school such as Valley entails a lot of work and even more responsibility. The position demands a person of high integrity, enthusiasm and an ability to lead others.

As you accept the gavel of president, you accept all of these—the work, the responsibility, the problems and the prestige. None should take precedence over another.

The prestige and glory received from the position should work as a balance. They should compensate for the work, time and effort put in. Never should they become the main things.

We offer our cooperation for the coming semester, and we offer our congratulations.

—The Valley Star

YOUR MONEY . . .

At the final Exectuive Council meeting of the semester the tentative budget for the spring semester was presented for approval.

Only in a few cases did the approval differ from the requests submitted by the faculty advisors of the various groups or events.

In athletics, the only change was in the baseball request. The finance committee added 100 dollars to the amount, enabling the ball team to purchase additional equipment.

One hundred dollars was cut from the dance budget. The committee felt that a 200 dollar addition to last term's amount was not necessary.

Monarch Day expense was cut 130 dollars, since the $568.10 appropriated last year was not completely used. The song leaders' budget was dropped 20 dollars and the yell leaders lost 15 dollars since their expenses during the spring term are not as great as those of the fall semester.

Due to a mix-up in the filing of the requests, on the tentative budget work sheet there appears a cut from 1200 dollars to 250 dollars for the Athenaeum.

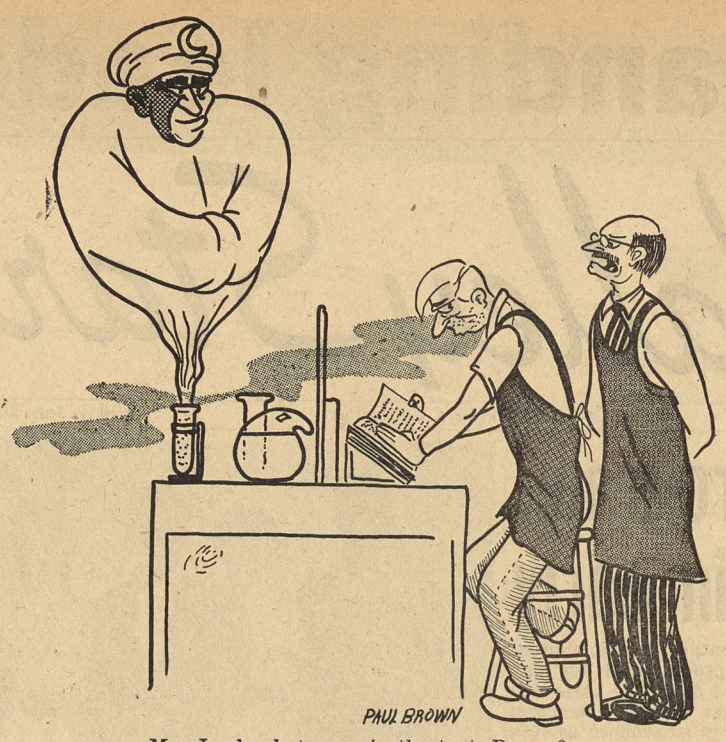
A total of 25 dollars was deducted from KVJC request since the radio department rarely uses all its appropriation. An addition of 100 dollars was made to the annual subsidy.

The total expected income for the spring semester is $28,920.00, equaling the anticipated expense.

The money dealt with in the budget comes from the sale of student activity cards, the student store and miscellaneous incomes such as the juke box.

Any action concerning the expenditure of student body funds must have approval by vote of the Executive Council.

It is the students' money, and never does it leave the realm of student rule. —D.W.



May I ask what page in the text, Dugan?

Valley Forge

By DORALD WRIGHT

THE SHAFT

For the first time in the history of Valley College, the Valley Star is faced with competition.

The Weekly Shaft made its first appearance on quad bulletin boards last Friday. The second edition came out Tuesday.

Great improvements were made in the second paper. The size of the sheet had increased by inches, though the stories lacked some of the "charm" of the initial effort.

The Shaft strives to give complete campus coverage in condensed form. For instance, the top sports story in the first edition read "Sea Hawks down Monarchs in close game. Very exciting."

We welcome the Shaft on campus. A little competition (especially as little as it offers us) is always stimulating (and good for a laugh).

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In this last column, I must give recognition to a few people I feel really deserve it. Awards by the numbers have been given out, but to me these are the winners:

Bill Tarnatino, for his great job as election committee co-chairman; Terry Coates, for his enthusiasm, ideas and determination; Pete Rowell, for the work he had done and the inspiration he has been to everyone this term; Jerry Jackson for the efforts he has made with the beta class.

These are my nominations for the top students at Valley College.

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With a feeling of remorse I write this last Forge, edit this last issue of the Valley Star. I look at the events of the past semester, the 13 issues of the Valley Star published. I'm sorry the term is over. I'm sorry that my term as editor is over.

The past semester has been outstanding in many ways—the increase in student enthusiasm, the success of the events. It has been a wonderful term in which to hold the editorship of the Valley Star.

There are many people I must thank in this closing column. There are many more I would like to thank, but time and space mark that as an impossibility.

First on the list are 2,000 students who have the Star each week. They have been alert, interested and made my job gratifying.

My staff ranks as indespensible. They have fought through a curtain of inexperience to emerge as a functioning, cooperative group. They gave me a lot of trouble, but jumped to the rescue when the jump was needed.

Dick Handt, my managing editor, deserves credit for the long hours he put in and the cooperation he has given me. He is taking over my job next term. I only hope his semester as Star editor is as great as mine.

Of course, without Dr. Arnold Fletcher and Ken Devol, journalism instructors, I would have been lost. They offered ideas, criticism and reassurances, all the while giving me all the freedom I desired.

I have argued time and time again with the Executive Council, but we have emerged friends. They have been a wonderful, enthusiastic group to work with and have made the paper eventful editorially.

I can't forget the faculty and administration Walter Coultas has offered every cooperation possible and William McNelis has been more than understanding. Without Kermit Dale, well . . .

And so I write the last few words, read the last proofs and vacate my position on the Star. I'll be back next semester as managing editor, but this term will be the one to remain first in my memories.

I have realized a three year dream—to be editor-in-chief of the Valley Star. It was only a dream, the reality seemed too far-fetched. But it did come true and the reality far surpassed the dream.

Good-bye and thank you again. You, everyone of you, have made this a terrific semester for the school, and for me.

As promised, good-bye, Bales, it's been fun.

Devious route leads Ellsworth to Valley College government

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the last in a series of articles introducing Executive Council members.)

Tony Ellsworth, this semester's commissioner of assemblies, came to Valley College by a devious route.

Born in Los Angeles, Ellsworth received his high school educaton at Harvard Military Acadamy, where he played football. After graduation, he went to SC for a while and then left school to sing with a band.

Disaster struck. Ellsworth lost his voice and the singing job fell through. He then came to Valley, where he is now a gamma student.

The 21-year-old commissioner of assemblies is a theater arts major and has appeared in such campus productions as "Death of a Salesman" as well as working as a director. In addition to his campus theatrical activities, Ellsworth is also studying drama privately.

He has set up assemblies this semester, such as the talent assembly. Besides his dramatic interests, Ellsworth's hobby is collecting cuff links and has gathered almost 40 pairs.

Letters to the editor

Editor,

I would like to express my appreciation to . . .

. . . You, the students of Valley College for the wonderful support you have given all activities this semester.

. . . Dorald Wright and the Valley Star for their outstanding coverage of Homecoming, dances, the Orange Show Bowl game, Bill of Rights Week, elections and all issues vital to the students.

. . . Kermit Dale, Director Walter Coultas, Dean Nena Royer, Dallas Livingston-Little and the faculty for their enthusiastic cooperation with the Executive Council and all student activities.

. . . Mrs. Frances Economides and members of KVJC for splendid efforts in publicizing the San Diego trip and the Orange Show Bowl game.

. . . All members of our championship football team and Coach Al Hunt for a season long to be remembered in Valley's history.

. . . Dixie Carnes, Gloria Cox, Karen Jolley, Terry Coates, Jack Yost, Tony Ellsworth, Joy Phelps, Pat Sewell, Donna Anderson, Lois Lazar, Sam LaMasa, Bob Binder, Pat Heinz and Pat Battaglia for their enthusiastic cooperation and tireless efforts fulfilling the duties of their offices on the Executive Council.

John C. Knowlton
AS President

MAKE KNOWN

Editor,

Although we didn't hit our quota of 160 pints set by the Red Cross, our total of 113 pints was greatly appreciated.

At this time I would like it publicly made known of the support given by the Vals in the Blood Drive. This group not only set the pace, but was the only group to hit the goal of 100 percent. Without their backing and "hustling" the drive would not have been a success.

Appreciation should also be given to the Chi Psi fraterity for reaching the goal of 80 percent. They were the only other group to come anywhere near the 100 percent mark.

Thanks again to these two groups and everyone who lent a hand to help.

It was greatly appreciated!

Dixie Carnes
Blood Drive Chairman.

Tentative spring budget

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the tentative budget for the spring semester. An explanation of the budget is found in an editorial elsewhere on this page.)

ATHLETICS	
Tennis	483.00
Golf	457.70
Baseball	2659.68
Swimming	335.55
Gymnastics	389.00
Track	2447.78
Awards	692.22
Conference fee	200.00
Intra-mural	56.00
WAA	65.00
	7,755.93
ENTERTAINMENT	
Awards Banquet	400.00
Band, Orchestra	100.00
Dances	600.00
Drama	300.00
Night School	1656.00
Entertainment	475.00
Men's Night	300.00
Monarch Day	700.00
Monarchettes	30.00
Song Leaders	20.00
Cheer Leaders	25.00
Anthenaeum	250.00
	4,856.00
GENERAL ACTIVITIES	
KVJC	75.00
Choir	325.50
Graduation	150.00
Awards	302.46
AMS	75.00
AWS	285.00
Conventions	500.00
Foresnic	946.00
Director's Fund	200.00
Equip. Repairs	150.00
Equip. Purchases	965.00
Hospitality	200.00
JC Ass'n.	7.50
Photography	100.00
President's Fund	200.00
Information Service	120.50
	4,598.96
PUBLICATIONS	
Valley Star	3791.95
News Bureau	500.00
Annual	300.00
	4,591.95
LAUNDRY SERVICE	
Towels	900.00
	900.00
RESERVES	
SB Card Withdrawals	1400.00
Unappropriated Surp.	1000.00
Scholarships	1000.00
	3400.00
OPERATING EXPENSE	
SB Cards	106.00
Council	50.00
General	125.00
Miscellaneous	2247.88
	2,528.88
TOTALS	
Expenses	28,920.00
Income	28,920.00

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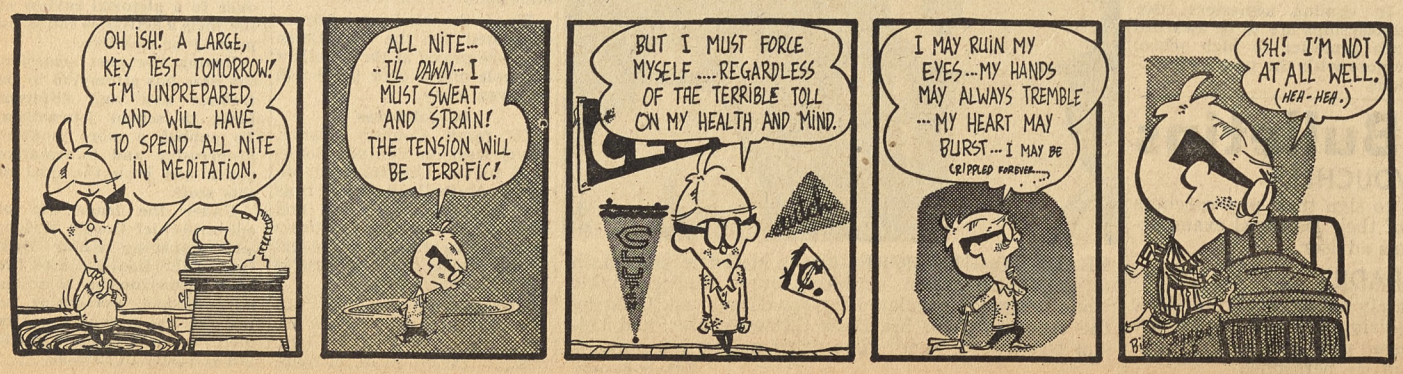
OH ISH! A LARGE, KEY TEST TOMORROW! I'M UNPREPARED, AND WILL HAVE TO SPEND ALL NITE IN MEDITATION.
ALL NITE-- -TIL DAWN-- I MUST SWEAT AND STRAIN! THE TENSION WILL BE TERRIFIC!
BUT I MUST FORCE MYSELF....REGARDLESS OF THE TERRIBLE TOLL ON MY HEALTH AND MIND.
I MAY RUIN MY EYES--MY HANDS MAY ALWAYS TREMBLE --MY HEART MAY BURST--I MAY BE CRIPPLED FOREVER....
ISH! I'M NOT AT ALL WELL. (HEH-HEH.)

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Social Side ★

By GLORIA ADELINI

So here we are at the end of another semester—with FINALS almost behind us (thank goodness). Last weekend many Monarchs took time from their studies to gather here and there for parties of all sorts and themes.

For instance, Gene Day played the "host" at his home for a party for his many friends. With no particular theme or purpose, these people are among the many who attended: Tom Rogers and Betty Rutecki, Willy Harrison and Betty Anthony, Ed Gutzman and Barbara Hearn, L. G. Silkwood and Mary Lou Sivula, Pat Sertic and Sharon Brock, Paul Kessler and Luana Harrelson, Day and Barbara Hoar.

Others attending were Al Adelini and Betty Langley, Bob Downs and Jean Hipes Larry Berthram and Nancy Willoughby, Larry Posten and Karen Jolley, Sam LaMasa and Helen Harris, Phil Shaw and Harlene Fisher, Chuck Cozad and Marsha Vanderscher, Graham Van Ness and Danny Bertonneau.

From all reports, this party was a complete "ball".

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With their final bluebooks tucked away permanently, many graduating Monarchs are planning gala celebrations all over the Valley. It's been said that many of them are gathering for a "last round-up" of friends. By "last," I mean that many of the fellows are leaving for the armed services and some of the graduates are getting married and will be living in different parts of the country.

No matter in what direction our graduates will be headed, the Star staff, along with everyone else on campus, wishes them the very best of luck.

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By way of the "cafeteria grapevine," we hear that the home of Johnny Best was really stepping lively last Saturday night. Among those stepping it up were Ron Rimer and Erin Gharrity, Bill Tarantino and Rose Knaur, Roy Pettit and Darlene Gwynn, Best and Pat Battaglia, Ed Stanley and Judy Bernardi.

Others included Bill Watts and Val Jean Parke, Gene Rich and Helen Harris, Ross Figgins and Mary Long, Al Hawkins and Rita Hughes, Mel Wawrack and Sharon Rafielli, Dick Kane, Giles Meyer, Ed Potter, Barbara Landin and Fred Patterson.

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This being the last society column I'll write for the Valley Star, may I take this time to thank the many students who have helped me gather "social gab" and have contributed remarks and criticism for this column. The entire Star staff will miss the Monday and Tuesday morning "party-news snooping session" in the cafeteria. I would like to give special thanks to Darlene Gwynn for being the "Girl Friday" for this column. It has been a lot of fun giving publicity to the many crazy parties.

. . . And so ends another semester.

MONARCHS MEET

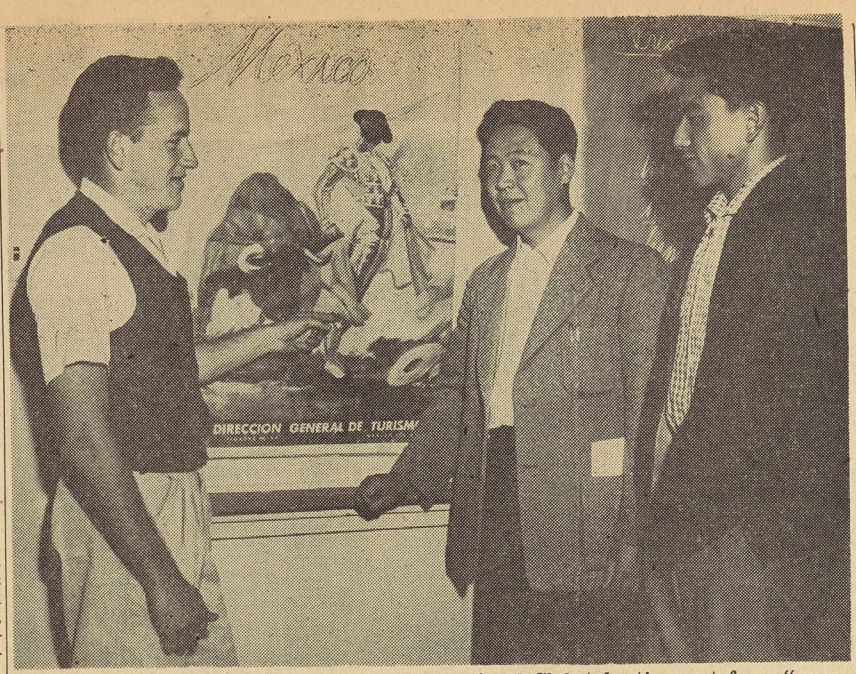
TODAY
8 p.m.—Theater arts party, cafeteria.
SATURDAY, Jan. 21
7 p.m.—Council dinner, Hangman's Tree Restaurant.
TUESDAY, Jan. 24
12 noon—Executive Council, room 34A.
THURSDAY Jan. 26
12 noon—Executive Council, room 34A.
SUNDAY, Jan. 29
8-10 p.m.—Anthropology Club, Coronation Court.

Marjorie Sayan to wed in spring

The engagement of Marjorie Lyanne Sayan and Clardon E. Larson was revealed to their families at dinner parties hostessed by the bride-elect's grandmother, Mrs. Viola Muir, and the benedict-elect's aunt, Mrs. Ethel Winkanon.

Miss Sayan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack F. Sayan of Van Nuys. Larson's parents are Mr. and Mrs. John B. Campbell of Burbank.

The couple graduated from Van Nuys High School and attended Valley College. They are planning their wedding for early spring.



PAST RECALLED—Members of the International Club take time out from "cramming" for finals to talk over experiences in their native countries. Those shown above are Pier Ricossa from Mexico City; Kozo Ura from Japan and In Sung Myung from Korea. Photo by Green

Foreign students take on active duties in campus functions

By MERI DELL SHARBUTT

Foreign students from all parts of the world have found their way to Valley College this semester. Many of them have forged ahead in student leadership and scholastic achievement.

Recipient of an honorable mention at the awards assembly was Kozo Ura, International Club nominee. Originally from Sasebo, Japan, Ura's inquiries were the start of the International Club. He has shown much interest in school activities and is a serious student.

Miro Rochowansky's family was enlarged this semester by the addition of Virgil—status: son. Rochowansky has acted as president of the International Club. The 25-year-old engineering major is from Bari, Italy.

Pier Ricossa and Luciano Birindelli are now living in their new apartment. Ricossa, from Mexico City, is an engineering major, as is Birindelli. The latter, from Turin, Italy, came to Valley in the spring of 1955 and is also active in the International Club, the engineering honor society, Epsilon Epsilon Epsilon, and Les Savants, scholarship society. Both plan to transfer to UCLA.

From Iran, once known as Persia, come the Ghashghai sisters, Nahid and Iran. Daughters of an Iranian senator during the Mossadegh administration, their family came to the United States in 1952. They plan to return to their country sometime this coming summer if the political situation continues to settle.

Among the other foreign students on campus are In Sung Myung, Mehmet Okur, Ben Neilsen, Toshio Asano and others. Myung is from Korea, while Okur, now residing in Reseda, was originally from Silifke, Turkey.

Neilsen, 26-year-old exponent of the International Club, was drafted nine months, two days, and two hours after he arrived here from Denmark.

Asano, who has acted as vice president of the International Club, was one of the originators of the organization. Originally from Yoskowska, Japan, he came to the United States in 1951 and plans to transfer to UCLA.

Spring term's AWS events told at meet

As a preliminary to next semester's activities, the new Associated Women Students' Council met last Tuesday to discuss tentative plans for the semester ahead.

Under the guidance of AWS advisor Mrs. Jean Brown Trapnell, suggestions were made concerning activities and problems that might be encountered.

Among the suggestions for future activities were two events which would come at the beginning of the semester. A luncheon for incoming women students would probably be held the second week in February in the student lounge.

A larger luncheon is also planned. All women students would be invited to the affair which would be held in the women's gym in the early or middle part of March. A fashion or charm expert would be invited to speak.

Later in the semester, a student body dance may be sponsored by AWS in cooperation with the Associated Men Students. Evening students would also be included.

Among the girls at the meeting were Carolyn Vanaken, Valerie Yerke, Claudette Prevot, Judy Mould, Lenore Wegmann, Nancy Hunt, Anne Laughlin, Sheila Shannon, Odetta Rosson, Marilynn Keener, Barbara Hoar, Mary Lou Rahlaff, Lah Ebinger, Evelyn Tepper, Winifred Lucas, and Carolyn Muscorella.

First Council meeting of the new semester is scheduled for Feb. 7 in room 25 at 11 a.m.

'Finale' claimed successful dance

"Jerry Jackson and the people who worked with him are to be congratulated for the many hours of planning and work they put in to making the 'Finale,' our first formal dance of the year, such a success," said John Knowlton, Associated Students' president.

Jackson, president of the beta class, was in charge of the affair, and was joined by the members of the alpha class in planning the dance.

Music for the dance was furnished by Dan Steuer and his orchestra. Decorations included murals on the west wall depicting highlights of the past year.

A "street scene" at the south end of the gym was covered by an awning of red and white crepe paper. The bandstand was also at the south end of the gym.

Members of the dance committee included Jackson, Brad Perry, Janet Bollock, Vonnie Van Note, Lynn Fitzgerald and Jeanne Kenny.

John Burroughs alumni hop set for March 10

The John Burroughs High School Alumni Association has selected March 10 for the annual Alumni Dance.

The Alumni Dance is open to all Burroughs alumni and friends. This semi-formal event will be held at the Elk's Club in Burbank.

Music for this occasion will be furnished by Joe Schrard's band. Tickets are priced at one dollar per person. For more information, contact the John Burroughs admissions office.

Wedding bells to sound in future

Marian Holman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley B. Holman, and Carl Allison Briggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Briggs of North Hollywood, have chosen March 4 as their wedding date.

Both are presently attending Valley College. Miss Holman is a graduatte of Van Nuys High School and Lawton School for Dental Assistants. Her fiance attended school in Northern California.

They plan to make their home in Van Nuys.

RISCHMANN-NICHOLS

September wedding plans are being made by Jaqueline Rischmann and Rodney Nichols. Their bethrothal was revealed on Christmas Eve.

A student of Van Nuys High School, the future bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold T. Rischmann of Pacoima.

The benedict-elect, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Nichols, also of Pacoima, is continuing his studies at Valley College.

WELL DESERVED—Pat Heinz, Associated Women Students' president, bestows Dixie Carnes with a pin presented by the AWS for outstanding services as the other winners look on. From left are Miss Heinz, Miss Carnes, Pat Sewell, Joy Phelps, Carol Hovey and Dorald Wright. Star photo

AWS honors five outstanding girls with campus service pins

Each semester the Associated Women Students present awards to five girls at Valley College for their outstanding service to the school.

Last Wednesday the student union was the place chosen for the presentation of the AWS awards and the luncheon honoring the outstanding girls. The awards, presented by Pat Heinz, AWS president, were given to Dixie Carnes, Carol Hovey, Joy Phelps, Pat Sewell and Dorald Wright.

Miss Carnes, IOC chairman, was a Fiesta princess, vice president of Associated Students, vice president of AWS, a song leader and winner of a Leadership Award.

Miss Hovey, head song leader, has served as a pom-pom queen. She is a graduate of Van Nuys High School and is an education major at Valley.

Miss Phelps, commissioner of rallies, made all the arrangements for the song and cheerleader elections. She planned all the half-time activities for football games and the rallies. Miss Phelps plans to attend the University of California at Santa Barbara next September.

Miss Sewell, commissioner of social affairs, has served as yell leader at Valley for two years. After graduating from Valley in June, she plans a trip to Europe. She will then transfer to UCLA as a physical education major.

Miss Wright, editor-in-chief of the Star, has served the Star staff for three semesters.

Each semester the AWS presents two council pins. This semester, these pins were given to Miss Heinz and Diane Bertotti, AWS secretary. Also receiving a pin was the new AWS president, Betty Anthony.

"Let me take this opportunity to thank all the girls who really pitched in and helped me this semester with the affairs and events concerned with AWS," said Miss Heinz. Advisor for Valley's AWS is Mrs. Jean Brown Trapnell.

CLUBS

Term review marked with trips, events

By LEE BIANCO

With the semester almost over, club presidents are finally sitting back, reviewing the work of the past 20 weeks.

From the activities of the past semester, it seems that clubs have played a more and more important part in the activities of the school. And many students on the campus here for their first time in September, feel like old timers because of the clubs of which they are members the good friends and lasting friendships they have made in the clubs.

Spanish Club

Los Amigos del Valle, the Spanish Club on campus, has an enrollment of about 85 members. Their field trips to Padua Hills, to eat Spanish food and watch a Spanish floor show has been one of the main activities of the team.

Angelo S. Villa is sponsor of the group.

Engineer's Club

"Well, there's 'good fellowship,' too," drawled Jim Boyd, when asked if trips to the Kaiser Steel plant and the Firestone Company were the drawing cards for the Engineers' Club.

Also in the engineering field, Epsilon Epsilon Epsilon made its debut on campus. Differing from the Engineers' Club in that it is an honorary engineering fraternity, on a national scale, the organization has great plans for future semesters at Valley.

International Club

"Come on, buy a ticket. It's real good food, honest, and only 50 cents for a whole meal!" Those words pinpointed members of the International Club for a couple weeks at Valley.

Foreign students, exchange students and students on visas get together weekly at club meetings, building up a store of knowledge and understanding of the peoples of the world.

Leo Alberti, club advisor has helped to find homes for the foreign students and has given to the students in the club a better feeling of deep understanding, according to members.

Anthropology Club

An Indian burial ground near Point Mugu was discovered by members of the Anthropology Club.

Field director for the club, Don Schooler, and his assistant, Solneig, led the club into this venture, providing practical knowledge, valuable information and enjoyable hours for the future spade-and-shovel men.

TAE—Les Savants

"White elephants," mysteriously marked packages, food from soup to nuts, holiday cookies and pastries, a tobya hat and a Christmas candle — these strange ingredients, boiled together, resulted in the Tau Alpha Epsilon — Les Savants Christmas Bazaar.

the two campus honor societies have also given tutoring service to all students who requested it during the past semester.

Psychology Club

Psychology students are still talking enthusiastically about their Jan. 13 field trip to Camarillo State Hospital for the Mentally Ill.

The club project was, according to the members, an invaluable aid to their insight into the problems of the mentally ill and to their understanding of the aims of psychology courses.

Art Club

There's always evidence around this campus that we have an Art Club. Decorations for dances, posters for enything that calls for posters—in short any art work needed for and by Valley students is offered by members of this group.

Also included in their work-play schedule are library exhibitions, picnic-sketching, field trips and an annual spring exhibit. At the spring Fiesta, the art students sell the drawings they have completed during the past semester.

Writers' Round Table

"Manuscript No. 1" is now just a memory to members of the Writers' Round Table, as they formulate plots, plans, poems and paragraphs by the dozens for "Manuspript No. 2."

The club was organized for people who are intent on writing in some form as a career.

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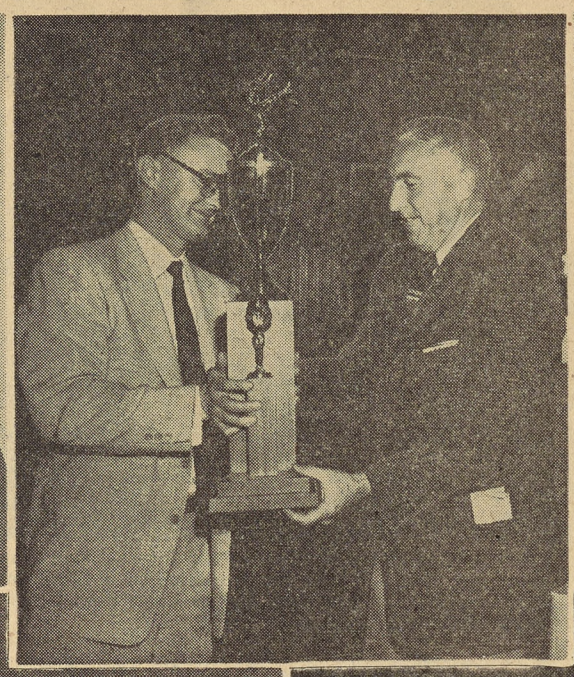

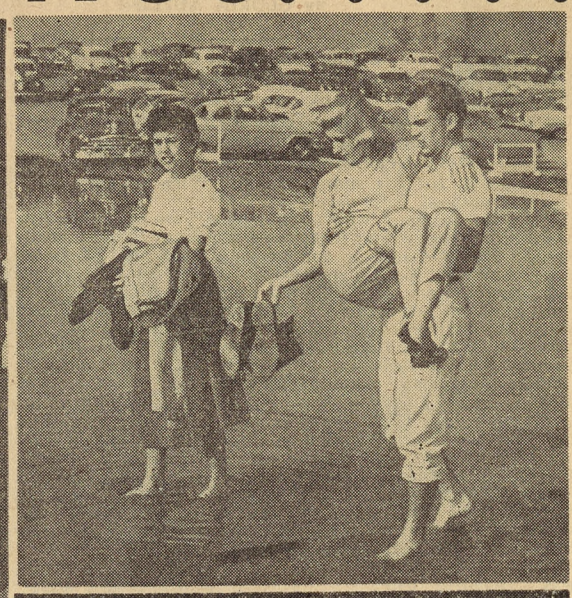

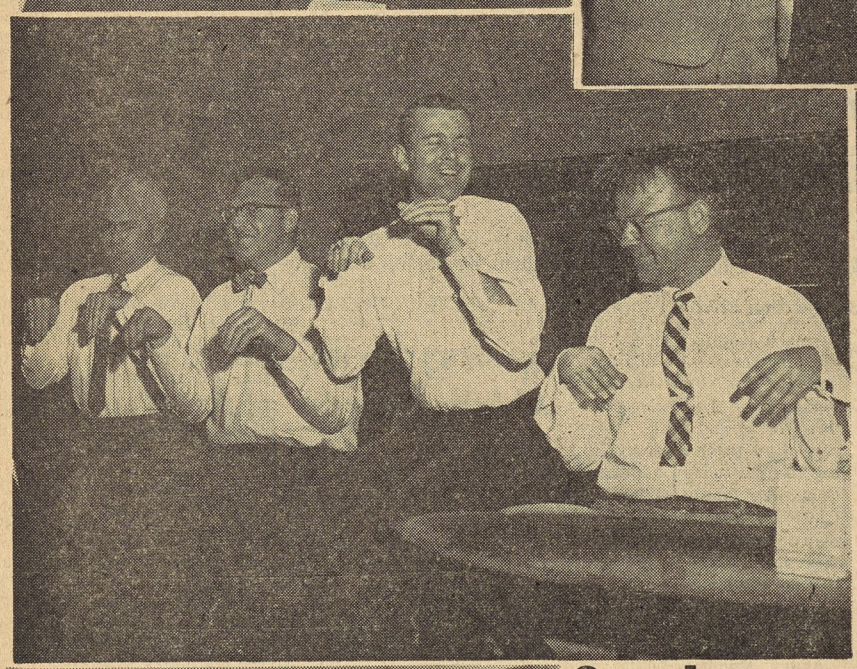

Star's pages review term's activities. . .

By DORALD WRIGHT

With final examinations, the installation of the new Executive Council officers, the presentation of awards and the distribution of the final issue of the Valley Star, the semester of fall, 1955-56 comes to an end.

Many activities marked this semester. Each issue of the Star brought headlines announcing events, from Monarch Day, to Homecoming, to the "Finale" formal.

Monarchs flocked to football games, dances and assemblies. Many new and original activities were held, while the traditional events filled out the fall calendar.

The initial issue of the Valley Star for the semester came out on the first day of registration, Sept. 12. The headlines of the issue dealt with Walter T. Coultas taking over the directorship of the college.

A record number enrolled in Valley College in September, approximately 6,000 students. The promise of new buildings gave an optimistic start to the term.

Monarch Day headed off a long list of activities. It was held the first Thursday of school and featured a luncheon, dancing and musical entertainment.

The second Star issue of the term, Sept. 23, announced the first taste of football, to be played against the College of San Mateo. At the game, try-outs were held for song and cheer leaders. Dr. George Goody was appointed to head a group to cope with the increasing parking problem.

The newly elected song and cheer leaders were announced in the third issue of the paper, Sept. 29. The Executive Council told of plans to appear on the Gene Norman television show and Homecoming plans were being formulated in the meetings of the Inter Organization Council.

The main headlines of the Oct. 7 issue of the Star were given over to the candidates for Homecoming queen. Another front page story told of the issuing of parking citations to 281 illegal parkers. The presidents of the sophomore classes were chosen and casting was completed for the first play of the semester.

Homecoming set the theme for the fifth issue of the paper, distributed on Oct. 14. That night, Queen Ann McDonald was crowned at the annual Homecoming dance and the Monarch football team met Bakersfield the next evening, emerging victorious. Officers were elected to lead the alpha and beta classes.

A dispute concerning Jackie, the lion which appeared at the Homecoming game, sparked an editorial on the front page of the Oct. 21 issue of the Star. Campus leaders embarked the next day for El Camino College to attend the Southern California Junior College Student Government Conference.

"San Diego 'choo choo' to leave" was one of the main headlines of the seventh issue of the Valley Star telling of the traditional train trip south for the San Diego football. game. The "phantom" veiled the campus in mystery after stealing the victory bell and leaving notes around the campus.

By the publication of the Nov. 4 issue of the paper, the "phantom" had returned the victory bell and the Monarchs had won the San Diego football game. The Crown Players' production of "Blithe Spirit" opened that evening, followed

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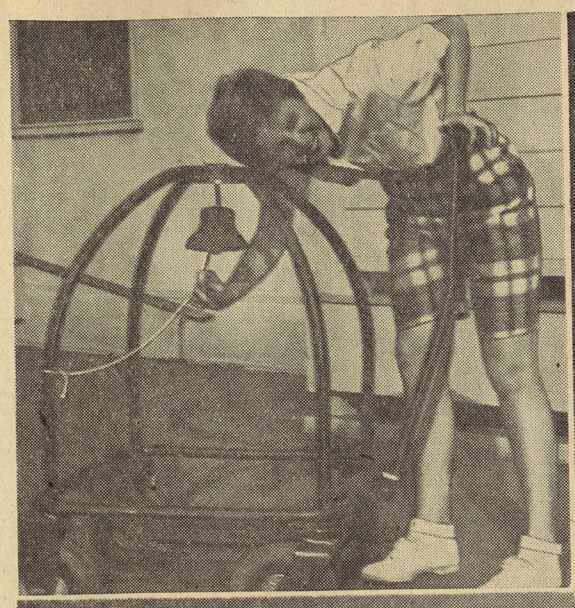
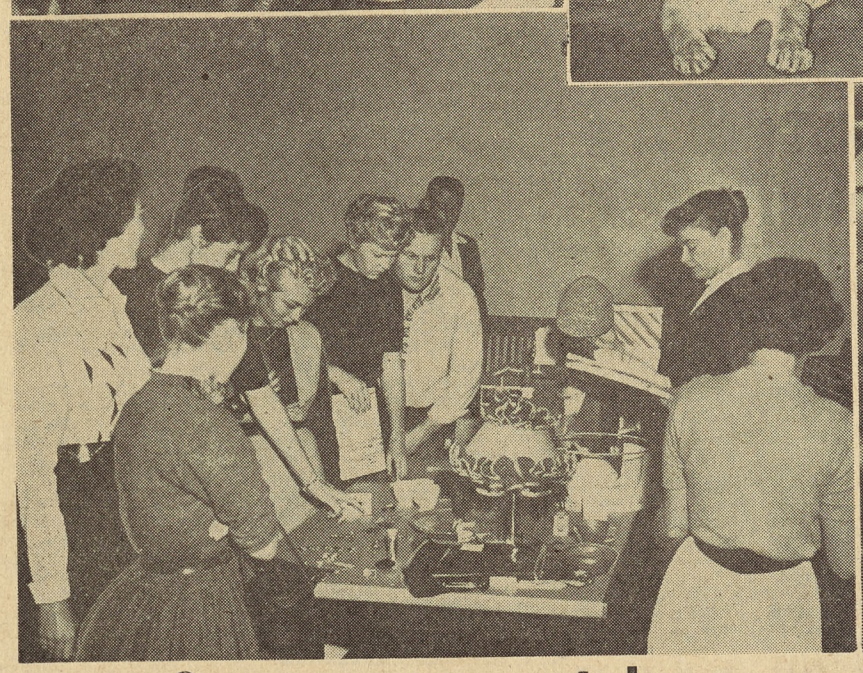




. . . . Camera eye catches campus action

later in the week by Men's Night.

During the following week Ed Wagenbach won the Ugly Man Contest and Virginia Puzzo, the talent assembly. The Spanish Club scheduled a movie, "Pueblerina" and eight Monarchs attended student government and journalism conferences in Fresno.

A banner topped the front page of the Dec. 2 Valley Star announcing Valley's acceptance of the Orange Show Bowl bid. The Forensic Society hosted a Southern California debate meet that Saturday on campus and the Knights of the Circle K commenced their "Toys for Tots" drive.

A bazaar sponsored by Tau Alpha Epsilon opened the day of publication of the 11th paper of the semester, Dec. 9. Registration for the spring semester was in progress and the choir's Christmas programs were promised for the following week.

The pre-Christmas Star told of the Christmas dance to be held that evening and promised the disappearance of Lake Coultas over the vacation. Elections demanded a story on the front page as petitions were circulated and the winners of Bill of Rights Week art and essay contests were announced.

Elections and the opening of the Crown Players' "The Live Wire" vied for top headlines in the Jan. 6 issue of the paper. The Knights of the Circle K hosted a regional conference on campus that Saturday and Tuesday the Monarch basketball team opened conference play against Harbor Junior College.

The top stories of last week's Star were the results of the student body elections, the Red Cross Blood Drive and the "Finale" formal, held that Saturday.

The headlines in the Star this week are the last for the semester. The issues of the paper from September to January carry the story of Valley College, its history for a semester.

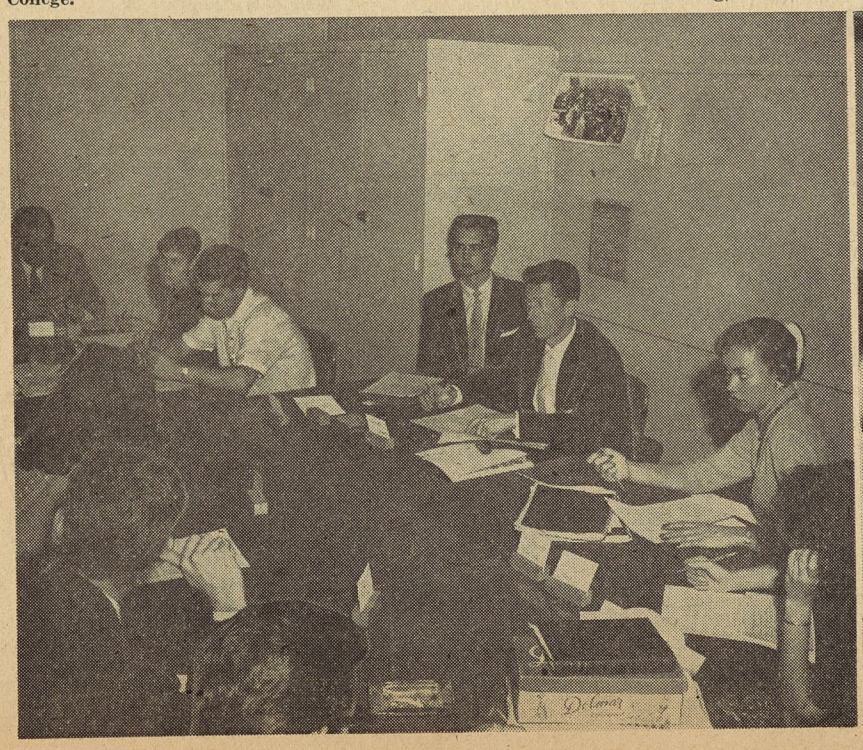
They relate the tale of a school's growth in every respect —activities, size, spirit.

The semester in review is shown pictorially on these pages. To row, from left: Jack Yost, incoming Associated Students' president; the presentation of the Orange Show Bowl trophy; students wading through Lake Coultas; the replacement for Valley's victory bell left by the "phantom;" Homecoming queen Ann McDonald with Jackie the Lion; John Knowlton, outgoing AS president.

Second row, from left: The "Meistersingers" who barked for guests at the Lettermen's banquet; Jackie roaming with song and cheer leaders at Homecoming football game; Tau Alpha Epsilon's bazaar; Executive Council and Valley Star members leaving for conferences at Fresno.

Middle row, far left: Virginia Puzzo, winner of the talent assembly; far right, exchange students enjoy malts at the College Inn.

Bottom row, from left: Ugly Man contestants posing for KCOP's television camera; snow fight in the quad; Executive Council meeting; activities during Monarch Day.



TA's one-act 'Oscars' to go at banquet

Actors of the college theater arts department will be presented with awards tonight for their performances given during the past semester in one-act plays.

Following the traditional TA banquet, the students and guests will go to the Little Theater, scene of the presentations.

In the contest for the best actor statuette, Frank Coe has been nominated for his performances in two one-acts, as Swanson in "In the Zone" and as Mr. Gordon in "August Heat."

Ellsworth Nominated

His characterization of Eugene Tesh in "The Flattering Word" earned a nomination for Tony Ellsworth.

Another dual-nominee is Bill Lee. He portrayed the part of the young man in "Hello Out There" and played as Chet Gordon in "August Heat."

Ned Marks received a nomination for his acting as George Reynolds in "The Conquerer." Jim Stewart's portrayal of the warden in "The Valiant" put him on the list.

Plays Henry Gaw

"The Fumed Oak" was the play which warranted a nomination for Frank Wright. He played the part of Henry Gaw.

Seven female members of the TA department have been nominated for the best actress award. Carol Barnett is in the contest as a result of her portrayal of Mrs. Gleiber in "August Heat."

Also appearing in "August Heat," Betty Liuzzi received a nomination for her characterization of Mrs. Gordon. Loretta Mann's acting as Josephine Paris in "The Valiant" guaranteed her a nomination.

Puzzo Nominated

Judy McSwain is in contention for the award because of her appearance in "The Fumed Oak" as Doris Gaw. The same award may be presented to Virginia Puzzo for her acting as Emily Smith in "Hello Out There."

Judy Robinson and Carol Sheeks round out the nomination list. Miss Robinson appeared as Hatsuko in "The Conqueror" and Miss Sheeks was seen as Mrs. Zooker in "The Flattering Word."

The nominations and final vote come from the directors of the one-acts. The winners will be announced by Bob E. Davis, TA advisor.

At the same time, an award is being presented to the director of the best one-act show of the term. Each of the plays produced during the term is automatically in contention for this award.

Organization plans lecture by Dr. Adler

Mortimer J. Adler, making one of his rare free addreses at a public institute, will speak in the men's gymnasium Monday, Feb. 6, at 8 p.m.

"Dr. Adler is internationally renowned as a public speaker and is an authority on philosophy. His lecture at Valley College will be the biggest thing, academically, to happen at this school," stated Roy Beaumont, chairman of the Athenaeum, campus cultural group.

Discussion Follows

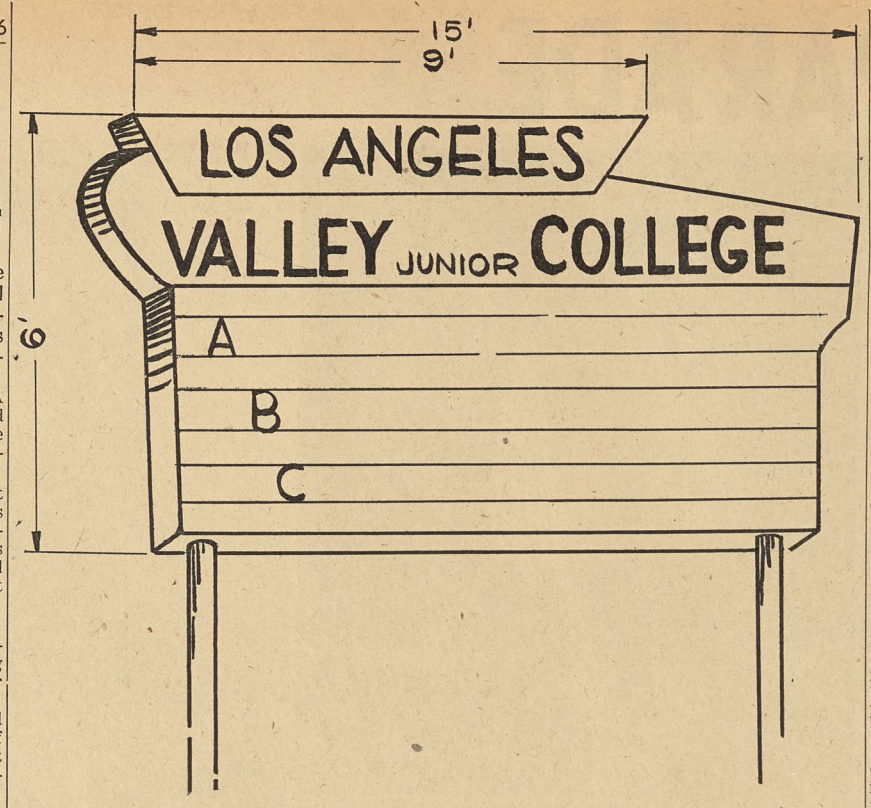
Presently working on a long-ranged project of writing and integrating all known philosophies, Adler will lecture on, "Education in an Industrial Democracy." Following the talk there will be a 20 minute discussion period, with members of the audience.

His lengthy and notable teaching career includes professorships at St. John's College at Annapollis, Maryland; University of Chicago, Illinois; and at San Francisco State College, California.

Revives Interest

It was through the studies that Adler undertook that there was a revival of interest in the philosophies of the middle ages. He was also instrumental in influencing the thoughts of modern educators.

According to Beaumont the views and philosophies expressed by Adler are not what could be called conventional.



$1600 appropriated by Council to buy marquee

It took a semester, but the Executive Council finally did it. The money has been appropriated for a lighted marquee to be erected on Burbank boulevard.

At an open meeting held last week, the Council, after hearing all sides of the problem, passed a motion to appropriate 1,600 dollars for construction and installation of the marquee.

The proposed sign would have two sides, both lighted and topped by a neon sign designating "Los Angeles Valley Junior College."

The marquee currently in mind features ten inch changeable letters on the face of the sign. The marquee proper is 15 feet in width and over six feet in height.

Binder Helps

Terry Coates, Council parliamentarian, is chairman of the marquee committee. He is assisted by Bob Binder and Karen Jolley, with Kermit Dale, student government coordinator, and Frank Hovey, bursar, offering faculty assistance.

Coates expressed the hope that construction of the marquee will be finished within two or three months. He stated that designs and bids have already been received from several companies. All that remains is committee approval of the final design and Board of Education approval!

Surplus Funds

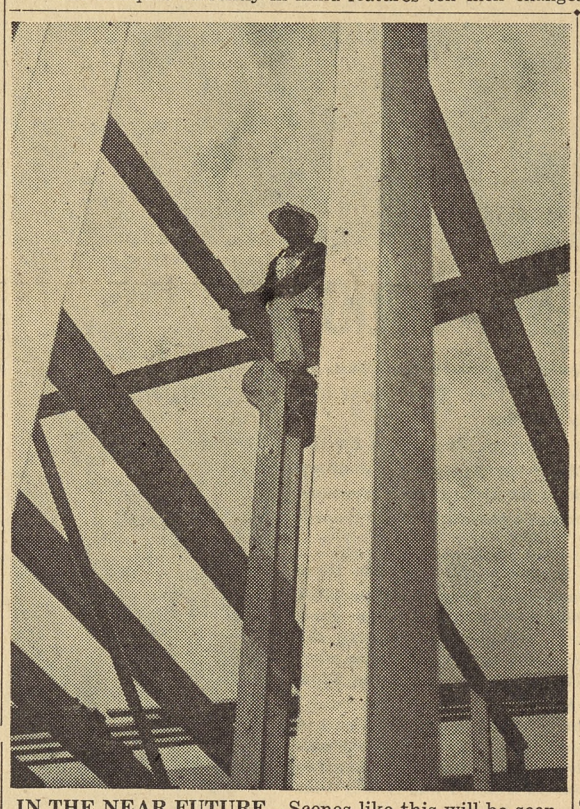
The funds for this purchase, according to Hovey, will come from a surplus accumulated during the past semester. An unanticipated 1500 dollars was taken in from the student book store over the amount figured in the budget.

The same surplus amount was accumulated through the sale of student body funds and an extra 1700 dollars was taken in from football, leaving the college with 4700 dollars in a reserve.

To Inform Students

This is an amount taken in over and above the amount figured in the budget for campus activities. The marquee would be bought from these funds, depriving none of the regular activities or groups of funds.

"We feel that the erection of the marquee will greatly benefit Valley," said Coates. "It will better acquaint the community with the college, as well as informing students of the coming events," he added.



IN THE NEAR FUTURE—Scenes like this will be seen soon around Valley College as construction begins on the new campus. Star photo

How to stretch money causes campus construction problem

A new building program plus rising costs equals delay.

Building plans are ready to be submitted to the Board of Education for their final approval with the only problem being how to make the original $3,089,000 bond issue spread out to cover $3,459,680 in construction costs.

The difference of almost $400,000 can be credited to the rising cost of construction which is now 12 percent over what it was when the bond issue was proposed and passed.

Construction on the new campus and buildings will progress in three stages. First will be the buildings that can be finished using the funds of the first bond issue. These will include a new library and an administration building both of which will include temporary classrooms.

Also to be erected during the first stage of building will be chemistry and physics laboratories and the remainder of the classrooms. With the completion of the first stage, the college will be able to accommodate 4000 students.

Following this program is the plan to continue the work using funds from a second bond issue of four or five hundred thousand dollars.

To be included in this step is the raising of buildings to house an engineering laboratory, which will afford electronics courses and a home economics and nursing program. A student body of 5000 (full-time day) will be accommodated with step two finished.

After the final stage of cleaning up and full expansion the campus will be capable of holding 6000 students.

"After years of being regarded as the 'orphans' of the Los Angeles educational system, the junior colleges are starting to be recognized as an important factor," said Dean William McNelis. "With this change of opinion it does not seem that there will be any difficulty in any of the building phases."

Also scheduled is an extensive athletic improvement program with a fund of $172,000 to be expended on bleachers, dressing rooms, rest rooms, fences and other items to make the sports grounds complete.

College's history starts at VN High

By DARLENE GWYNN

Across the street from Van Nuys High School was the starting place for Valley College in the fall of 1949.

Fall semester of 1952 was a busy one as it was the time for the change of location to the present locality of Valley.

Registration during the birth of the college was expected to be 150 persons but surprisingly enough 443 was the total registration.

Starts Small

With a small start, Valley was nothing but a mass of large ditches covered by boards over which students could cross.

According to Ray Cluff, a beginning student, "It was miserable and dusty, but shortly after came asphalt which made a big improvement."

Lacked Facilities

All assemblies were held in the auditorium of Van Nuys High School. The school also used many of the high school gym facilities.

With hardly any sports but basketball and baseball, the school paper had only high school sports news to print.

Football and the first Homecoming came about in 1950. Homecoming was filled with many floats constructed by students belonging to the few clubs on campus.

Given Cards

Each student received a pioneer card to signify that they were members of the first class at Valley.

From the very beginning, there was a student body government which has worked with school affairs.

Cluff said he was surprised to see the tremendous growth of Valley because of the great increase in population and area we have.

Early Student

Being one of the school's first students, Cluff thinks it is terrific that Valley became conference champions in only seven years, especially compared to its early football history.

The birth of the college was much easy but today the school curriculum is tougher and the students learn much more. This progress is due to the evolution of the college from its confused beginning.

Grows Rapidly

To show the tremendous growth of Valley, statistics show that in the fall semester of 1949 there was a total of 443 students and in the fall of 1955 there was a total of 5816 students enrolled.

Many improvements of the college have been shown by comparing the past and the present of Valley.

Future years are in a dream that will show Valley with an even larger population and a real college campus.

Improvement keeping pace with growth

Each semester Valley College undergoes a series of changes and improvements in an attempt to keep pace with the tremendous growth of the student body. During this past semester quite a number of improvements were made that have been of benefit to both faculty and student body.

At the beginning of the semetser, Valley seemed again to be faced with a problem that had been present in past semesters; that of haphazard parking.

Dr. George H. Goody, traffic co-ordinator was forced to call in the police in order to remedy the situation. After a few citations were given out, the proble was all but eliminated.

Five new temporary buildings were added to the campus this semester. Two of them were used as new library buildings, adding to storage space and reading room. The science department received two buildings with the addition of a biology and a chemistry building. The remaining buildings was utilized as a band room.

Dining facilities were improved with the incorporation of the student lounge into an additional cafeteria.

A system of advance registration was adopted that enables students to register before the regular registration date, thus eliminating the long lines that were present in the old method.

At present work is being done on the parking area so that a drainage system will remove the large body of water that usually follows a heavy rain.

Food, fun, welcome spark Monarch Day

New students to the college are to be officially welcomed Thursday, Feb. 2 at the traditional Monarch Day.

Scheduled to begin at 11 a.m., activities are being planned including the "Monarch Feed." The menu will include sandwiches, a salad, drink and dessert.

Ed Potter, commissioner of activities, is heading the committee in charge of Monarch Day.

Examination Schedule

Classes Meeting	Examination Day and Hour
8:00 MWF or Daily	Wednesday, January 25 — 8:00-10.00
9:00 MWF or Daily	Thursday, January 19 — 8:00-10.00
10:00 MWF or Daily	Monday, January 23 — 8:00-10:00
11:00 MWF or Daily	Tuesday, January 24 — 8:00-10:00
12:00 MWF or Daily	Friday, January 20 — 8:00-10:00
1:00 MWF or Daily	Tuesday, January 24 — 1:00-3:00
2:00 MWF or Daily	Tuesday, January 24 — 10:30-12:30
3:00 MWF	Thursday, January 26 — 1:00-3:00
4:00 MWF	Friday, January 20 — 10:30-12:30
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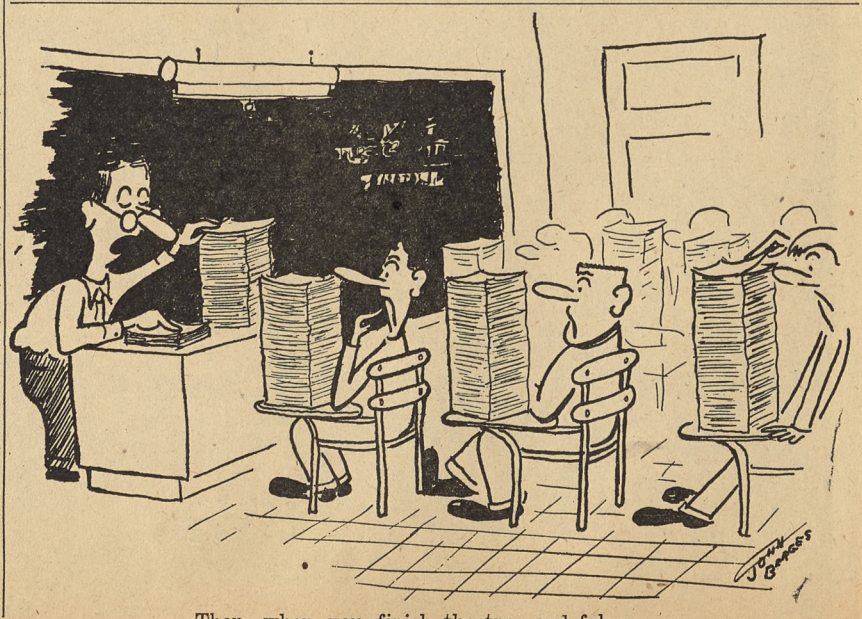


Then, when you finish the true and false . . .

Former editor comments on changed Star

"It's better to be a has-been than a never-was."

So said Ray Cluff, first editor-in-chief of the Valley Star, returning to the Monarch campus after a five year absence. Cluff headed the Star staff in fall of 1949 and served as managing editor the following semester.

Left Valley

Cluff left Valley in 1952 to join the Air Force, where he worked in personnel for "three years, one month and 15 days." In August, 1952, he married Virginia Marsilio, former Valley song leader.

"I misspelled her name in the Star once," recalled Cluff, "and became interested in her when she came to the office to bawl me out."

Little Larger

When asked what the differences are between the Star he edited and the present paper Cluff replied, "The paper is a little larger in size, but many of the fundamentals have remained. I think the present Star staff has an easier job of gathering news, since there are now more reporters on the staff. Although the student body is larger, things seem to be more organized.

"We used to think the paper was terrific when it started, but we didn't win any awards. That the Star has improved is shown by the awards it has merited, such as the American Collegiate Press ratings and the University of Redlands citation," Cluff added.

Major Differences

The major difference between the early Star and the current one, according to Cluff, is that the stories are shorter and more compact. "I really fought for that," he declared. "It seemed to me that a smaller sized newspaper, such as the Star, should have stories tailored more to its size.

"This year's paper looks very good. I like it personally. The extra experience pays off in a better paper. After five years, I have to look at it almost from a stranger's viewpoint.

"It's good to be back."

HAPPY ENDING—As a climax to their terms in office, five Executive Council members received gold cups for their service on the Council during the past semester. The winners, front row from left, are John Knowlton and Dixie Carnes. Back row from left, Terry Coates, Gloria Cox and Jack Yost. Star photo

Jack Yost, Terry Coates head newly-elected Executive Council, plan semester's activities

Heading the Associated Students' Council next semester is Jack Yost, incoming Associated Students' president. Terry Coates is the new AS vice president, Harlene Fisher, AS secretary and Leilani Greenwood, AS treasurer.

Sherry Hall, new commissioner of rallies; Phoebe Kassebaum, commissioner of assemblies; and Pat Katrenick, commissioner of social affairs, are among the new officers.

Pete Rowell, Associated Men Students' president; Betty Anthony, Associated Women Students' president; Darlene Gwynn, commissioner of publicity and publications, and Ed Potter, commissioner of activities, fill out the Council roster.

Changes Promised

"Many changes will be made in the coming semester" said Coates. "We will start our first Council meeting by getting our budget set up. There are many alterations which need to be made because of the growth of our school."

"Also on the agenda is a system of scholarships to get more graduating high school athletes to attend Valley College," he added.

Other Project

Some of the other projects that the Council will undertake this semester are organization of classes, more publicity on college events for night school students, more school spirit for night students, more publicity concerning night students in the Star and outside publications, and better recognition of students excelling in athletics, scholastic achievement, and service, according to Yost.

To make the semester more enjoyable for students, the Council will try to establish a date bureau, publish a complete list of names, addresses and telephone numbers of all Valley students and sponsor progressive jazz sessions on campus, he added.

Bigger, Beter

"Monarch Day will be bigger and better," stated Potter, who is in charge of the affair. "This year, instead of just handing out food, we will really try to get some of the students acquainted with each other. Naturally we will also have food," he added hastily.

"Fiesta this year will be bigger than ever before," says Yost." We will try to get the community interested by choosing a Disneyland theme which will attract the youngsters.

Yost also hopes that the Council will be able to travel to other schools and visit other councils in order to get acquainted with other student leaders and see how their school government works.

Crown photographer to shoot grads' pics

January graduates who haven't as yet made arrangements for their pictures to be taken for the college yearbook are asked to contact Paul E. Wolfe, official Crown photographer.

Included in the two dollar charge are two retouched finished pictures, one of which is used in the yearbook, and six proofs.

Wolfe can be reached at VIctoria 9-3811 or at his studio, 1711 North Lima, Burbank. It is situated approximately two blocks east of Victory boulevard and Hollywood way.

PAST AND PRESENT—Looking over copies of the Valley Star, from volume one to the current volume seven, are Dorald Wright, left, present editor of the Star, and Ray Cluff, the paper's first editor-in-chief. Seen in the foreground is the first issue of the Star published, with question marks in the place of the nameplate. The name of the paper wasn't decided until the fourth issue. Star photo

Gold cups go to student leaders

Now in possession of gold cups received for "outstanding service" are five members of the Executive Council. The leaders were honored last Tuesday at the installation and awards assembly.

John Knowlton, Dixie Carnes, Terry Coates, Gloria Cox and Jack Yost are the cup winners.

Two Conferences

Knowlton, Associated Students' president, has attended two student government conferences and worked on many of the activities of the past term.

Miss Carnes headed the Inter Organization Council this semester, was in charge of the Blood Drive and Homecoming and attended the state student government conference.

Marquee Committee

As parliamentarian, Coates was a Valley delegate to two conferences, headed the marquee committee and worked on several others.

Miss Cox has kept the council minutes in line this semester as Associated Students' secretary.

Several Jobs

Yost also attended two conferences, acted as vice chairman of the IOC and worked on several committees, including the Bill of Rights group of which he was in charge.

The recipients of the cups are chosen semi-annually by vote of the Council for their contributions to the group. They will again be presented with the cups at the President's Executive Council banquet Saturday night.

Valley clubs, groups slate dinner fetes

Awards and honors bring much talk by Valley College students at the close of the semester.

Banquets are held for these honors by Delta Psi Omega, national honorary drama fraternity, the student body Council, the Engineers' Club together, with the engineering honor society, Epsilon Epsilon Epsilon, and Beta Phi Gamma, national honorary journalism fraternity.

Turkey Dinner

In the cafeteria Friday at 8 p.m., a turkey dinner will be given for the theater, arts department. Awards will be presented in the theater, including presentations to the best actress, best actor and director of the best one-act play.

John Knowlton, AS president, will present keys to those having served one semester on the Council, pins for two semesters and rings for three semesters. The president also receives a ring.

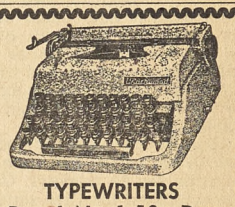
Installation of new officers is the purpose of the Engineer's Club banquet. It will be held Jan. 28, at 8 p.m. at Eaton's restaurant.

Bell Telephone

Chet Franklin is the master of ceremonies and the speaker of the evening will come from the Bell Telephone Company to speak about new electronic equipment.

Dorald Wright, editor of the Valley Star, and Dick Handt, president of Beta Phi Gamma, will act as co-masters of ceremonies at the journalism banquet scheduled for Jan. 26.

Awards will go to the writers of the best sports, feature, editorial, and news stories. The person who has assisted the editor most during the year will receive the editor's award. Special staff honors will also be presented.



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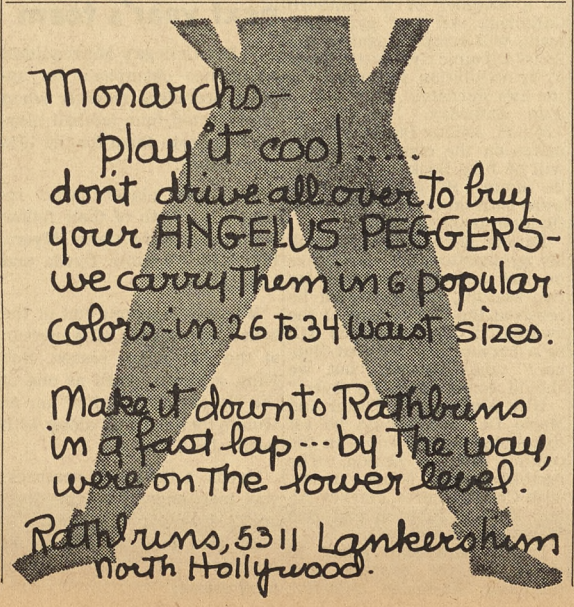
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Monarchs in contender bracket; face ELA

Locals trip two league opponents

Putting on a hot and cold performance, Valley College's basketball team won its second Metropolitan Conference game of the season Tuesday afternoon with an 83-69 win over Santa Monica City College on the Corsair court.

Paced by a hot surge by Jim Hargrove, who tallied 12 of the club's first 21 points, Valley moved to a commanding lead early in the game and toyed with the host quintet most of the first half.

Coach Ben McFarland started to substitute freely early in the battle and his first team sat out the final five minutes of the opening half. At the intermission the Lions had a 45-28 lead.

The reserves opened the second half but failed to find the range and Santa Monica soon had the margin cut down to three points, 55-52.

A spurt of scoring and rebounding by Harry Planck opened the margin again and the club moved back into a comfortable lead in the final three minutes.

Bob Gregory topped the Monarchs in the scoring column, hitting for 25 markers. Planck was next for the club with 17 points, Hargrove had 16 and Bill Wallace another 14 tallies.

The Lions won their first of the season last Friday when Wallace dunked in two foul shots against San Diego after the game was officially over. He had been fouled just as the final buzzer sounded and calmly tossed in the winning markers as the Knights looked on helplessly.

Gregory was again high point man in the battle, this time accounting for 24 markers. Gary Shair, making his first start of the season at center, rebounded well and scored 13 times.

GAME DIRECTIONS

By following these simple instructions, you will find yourself at the Valley-ELA basketball game tonight to be played on the ELA hardwoods. Take the Hollywood Freeway to the San Bernardino Freeway until you hit Atlantic boulevard. Turn right on Atlantic and continue to Brooklyn and again signal right. By proceeding along Brooklyn you will eventually see the school, if not; see you in New York.

San Diego (61)		Valley (63)
Powell (24)	F	Gregory (24)
Wilson (19)	F	Planck
Vanderlinde (6)	C	Copeland (7)
Linscheid (4)	G	Hargrove (9)
Browne (4)	G	Wallace (8)

Halftime score: Valley — 36; San Diego, 31.

Scoring subs: San Diego—Norton, 2; West, 2. Valley—Taylor, 2; Shair, 13.

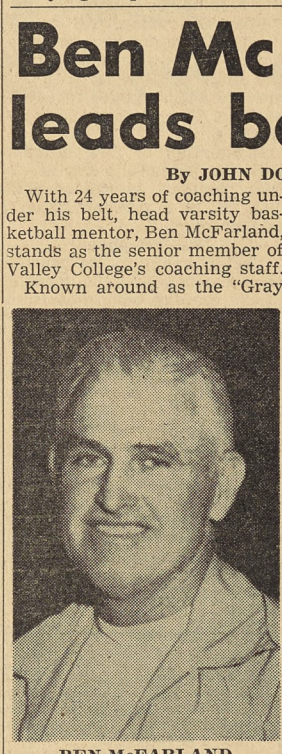
HARGROVE SCORES—Hard-driving Monarch guard Jim Hargrove scores a field goal on a sensational lay-up. Hargrove played one of his best games as he stymied the Santa Monica offense with his defensive tactics plus tallying 16 points himself. Sports photos by Franklin

Ben Mc Farland leads ball crew

By JOHN DONDANVILLE

With 24 years of coaching under his belt, head varsity basketball mentor, Ben McFarland, stands as the senior member of Valley College's coaching staff.

Known around as the "Gray Fox," McFarland runs his players through fast-break offensive patterns mostly. A quiet-spoken and congenial gentleman, McFarland is well-liked by all who know him at Valley.



BEN McFARLAND
"The Crazy Fox"

His alma mater is UCLA where he was graduated in 1930 and then went directly to Canoga Park High School where he began his initial coaches duties. He remained at Canoga for three years, and in 1932 his hoopsters won the league championship, a deed heretofore unprecedented by any other sports team in school history.

Mc Farland tranferred to Valley in 1949, the first year of this school's existence. He was mentor of the first team and progresively built up his material over the ensuing years to the point that the Monarchs are now defending Metro titalists.

Much of McFarland's success last year lay in the outstanding talent that was enrolled at Valley. It was a coaches dream and cunning "old Ben" took every advantage of it as his hoopsters, paced by Jim Halsten, Phil Dye, Jim Yocum, Bill Wallace, and John Bowen, raced to the pinnacle of hardwood success.

This year, with only Wallace back from the championship five, McFarland faces another re-building job, but with such young eager players as Art Copeland, Harry Planck, Bob Gregory, Stew Pritikin and Harold Taylor, it should be an enjoyable task for the "Gray Fox."

Valley (83)		Santa Monica (69)
Gregory (25)	F	Snellson (2)
Planck (17)	F	White (6)
Shair (3)	C	B. Williams (14)
Hargrove (16)	G	Harman (10)
Wallace (14)	G	R. Williams (16)

Halftime score: Valley, 42; Santa Monica, 28.

Scoring subs: Valley—Copeland, 6; Taylor, 2. Santa Monica—Bora, 9; Smith 8; Rombeau, 2; Johnson, 2; Van Levwen, 1.

Big cage week end for 'hungry' Lions

Setting its sights on a double sweep over the week end, Valley College's basketball team will face East Los Angeles and Long Beach City College in Metropolitan conference games.

The Monarchs will hit the road for the important tilts, with 8 p.m. down as starting time both evenings.

A double win over the week end would move Coach Ben McFarland's crew right into the middle of the circuit race, leaving them with a 4-1 record. However, a double loss would hurt the club considerably and hinder its chances for a strong finish in the league.

Eight games are on tab in the league tonight and tomorrow. Topping the list of big ones is the Harbor-Bakersfield clash up north on Saturday. Tonight's Harbor-Long Beach and El Camino-Bakersfield games are also key ones.

Going into tonight's play Valley and Long Beach sport 2-1 records, while the Seahawks and Renegades hold the top rung with 3-0 showings.

East LA is still hunting its first Metro win of the season, but despite its bad record has two of the top scorers in the league in Yoneo Inouye and Andrew Cathers.

The ELA series is one of the most colorful in Valley's history, Valley holding a 7-3 edge in the five-year rivalry. Last year the Lions copped two from the Huskies, 84-57 and 60-44.

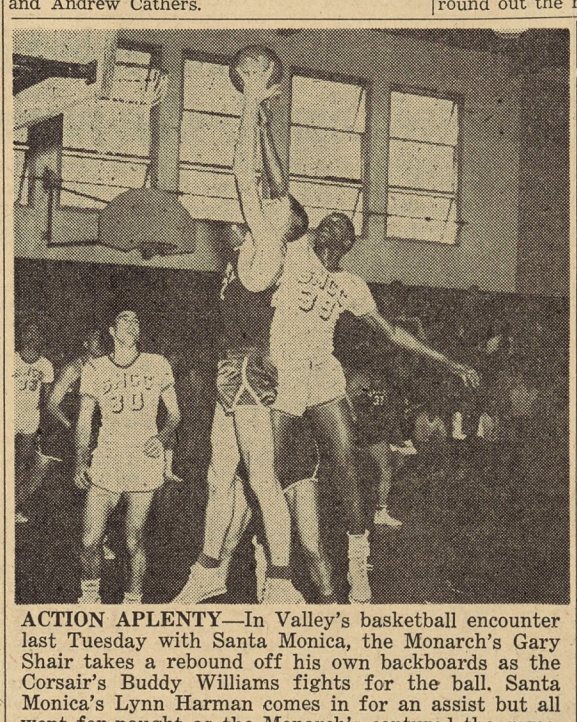
Long Beach, which went into conference play with a highly unimpressive 1-9 record, startled the loop by taking decisive 70-51 and 84-70 wins from Santa Monica and San Diego. The LBCC five's lone Metro loss was to Bakersfield.

Scoring power for the Vikings comes from forwards James Smith and Tom Batson, who have averaged about 16 points a game in three Metro outings.

Bob Thetford and Phil Joujon-Roche, both six feet, seven inches tall, supply Coach Charlie Church with his main rebounding power.

Only starting position in doubt on the Valley club is the center spot, where McFarland will open with either Gary Shair or Art Copeland. Shair started the Santa Monica game but fouled out in the first five minutes of play, and Copeland played most of the way.

Forwards Harry Planck and Bob Gregory and guards Bill Wallace and Jim Hargrove round out the rest of the starting club.



ACTION APLENTY—In Valley's basketball encounter last Tuesday with Santa Monica, the Monarch's Gary Shair takes a rebound off his own backboards as the Corsair's Buddy Williams fights for the ball. Santa Monica's Lynn Harman comes in for an assist but all went for naught as the Monarch's captured the game, 83-69.

Big year seen for tracksters

By BILL McPEAK

As autumn leaves and the spring semester bounds into view, a young man's fancy turns to girls . . . and track!

Despite the fact that this is leap year, track Coach Mike Cirino states that the Monarch cinder squad will be composed of MEN ONLY, and campus coeds are requested to confine their track ambitions to the quad.

Coach Cirino is hopeful for the 1956 track and field team in the coming Metro conference race which will begin shortly after the spring semester commences.

Lettermen, back for their second year of competition for the Green and Gold are Ken Swift and Lynn Fitzgerald, sprinters; Bob Birscak, quarter miler; and Bob Hagerty and Ken West, half and one-mile distance men respectively.

Other lettermen returning from the 1955 squad are Bob Mosely, relay; Eugene O'Neill, pole vaulter and possibly Thad Winston, hurdler.

Non-lettermen from last year's track team are Bill Atkins, Darryl Athons, Perry Silkwood and Bernie Wolpert. Other present Monarchs to compete are Jack Lyons and Mike Reid. Lyons has lettered in football at Valley and Reid in cross-country.

"It is hoped that we will have Kenny Dennis (California state champion sprinter from Centenial High) with us this season, also with Jackson, a half miler from LA High."

Cirino also hopes to strengthen his team with Byers, miler from North Hollywood High School, and Gene Sturdyvin, former Monarch track letterman who pole vaulted a striking 13 feet for the 1953 Valley cinder squad.

Other potential Monarch trackster from prep school are Ron Back, North Hollywood High sprinter, and Clark Holden, from Marshall High School, who shot putted the 12 pound shot 54 feet to bring down the third place position in the city playoffs last year.

"With this potential," Cirino said, "we feel confident in making a dent in our competition abilities this year and capturing the conference crown."

PLAY on WORDS

by Bill McPeak

With the fall semester nearly at a close, I pull in resolution and begin to doubt that the Monarch cagers will retain the Metro conference crown.

With an almost entirely new squad, I had blind hopes that they might do the impossible.

They have, however, mastered the difficult by building, so far, a good record for a group of guys who have never even shared a basketball court before.

Speaking of basketball, which one does in sports columns, the Monarch cage courteers displayed showmanship in the Santa Monica tilt last Tuesday that even the Crown Players would have had difficulty duplicating.

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To quote an old vaudevillian adage, "It's easy to get on the stage, but hard to get off." Such is the case of numerous members of the current Star staff, who, with critical eye, step down from their pedestals to observe the new holders of their old offices.

I vacate my position as sports editor of the Star and willingly place the pleasant burden of my office upon the shoulders of John Dondanville, a diligent worker and servant of the Star this past semester.

I say willing, as it is to the advantage of both the paper and the reader that Mr. Dondanville capture the post.

A graduate of John Burroughs High School, John has shown considerable talent in the field of journalism having performed in the capacity of both sports editor and editor-in-chief on the Burroughs High School weekly sheet.

With Dondanville at the wheel, the sports fans at Valley College will, as they say in the service, have "no sweat."

Although there have been avalanches of criticism and pebbles of cat-calls I have enjoyed working on the Star this past semester. I extend my thanks to those who have helped me. I feel no malice to those who have not and I smile understandingly at those who have hindered me.

As long as the shirt tails continue to flap in the breeze,

I remain, —BILL McPEAK.

Matmen, minus Banner, begin anew

Desert sands drift slowly over the abandoned lakesite as gymnastics coach Ralph Caldwell ponders prospects for the approaching season.

Prior to the start of the regular season, Monarch Olympic gymnast hopeful Larry Banner, as a member of a Southern California "All Star" gymnastic team, will compete against the Swiss Olympic Gymnastic Team in an exhibition scheduled for the San Fernando High School gym Saturday, Jan. 28, at 7:30 p.m. Among Banner's teammates on the eight-man squad will be John Beckner and Charlie Simms, SC graduates, who were both on the United States Olympic team in 1952.

Banner is ineligible for Valley gymnastics this year, since he has already competed for two seasons, during which he received the lion's share of the awards. "I doubt that this will be a banner year without Banner," said Caldwell, "but we should come out fairly even."

Dick Mullen, Bill Foster and Mario De Lara should be set to clamber up the ropes in the coming climing season. The tumbling squad is also strong, with Chuck Endres, Harvey Allen, Wesley Johnson and Bob Mains out on the mat.

Ruben Sarkissian ought to shine in free exercise and tumbling, concluded Caldwell.

Mann returns to '56 Valley nine's helm

Baseball coach Charlie Mann predicts the Monarchs to be one of the top teams in the Metropolitan Conference this season.

Last year the Monarch nine finished second in the conference and according to Mann might of finished first had the student body given the team more support.

Valley College's baseball team has never won a conference championship but has come close to it several times.

This year's team should be better than last year's but so are the other teams in the league, said Mann when asked how he felt about the 1956 team. The Monarch's didn't lose a single home game last year.

This year's team has eight returning lettermen. Dick Windham, who was second-string all-Metro outfielder last year, has been elected team captain. Another returning letterman on the baseball squad is Pat Gillick, who was first-string all-Metro pitcher last year.

Baseball will get underway here on Feb. 6, in a non-conference game when the Monarchs play the Alumni. After that there are seventeen more non-conference games scheduled. Conference play begins March 9, when the Lions meet Santa Monica at Santa Monica.

Coach Mann has expressed the wish that he would like to see the student body take more interest in Valley's baseball team and support it by coming to the games. The diamond has been put in excellent condition and bleachers are to be installed.

Footballers elect captains to lead next year's team

Valley College's Metropolitan conference champions set another precedent recently when they elected four football players to captain them for the 1956 grid season.

The four players who received the faith of their fellow teammates were Larry Myers, Bob King, Tommy Uyeda and John Love.

Myers, a standout end of the squad was elected all-American at the end of the season. Bob King, a guard, acted as one of the "Rocks of Gibralter" on Al Hunt's forward wall along with tackle John Love.

Uyeda, a 155 pound scatback, was instrumental in the Monarch's drive for the crown.

All four men are eligible to return to the Valley gridiron next season.

Lauds go to Binder, Intra-mural captain

Bob Binder, Valley College's stellar center will receive the Helm's Athletic Foundation Award on Jan. 24 for being the outstanding player in the Metropolitan conference during the past football season.

He will be presented this award from Metropolitan conference Commissioner Cecil Zaun and Publicity Director Mel Schroeder on the eve of the Valley-El Camino basketball game at the local gymnasium. Binder, along with Larry Myers, will receive recognition for the junior college all-American teams they made on the Times and Williamson polls.